Skills Sheet 1

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Exponents and Radicals

- 1. Simplify the following expressions:
 - a. x^5x^2
 - b. y^2y^{-2}
 - c. $\sqrt[4]{16}$
 - d. $\frac{z^{-3}}{z^{-2}}$
 - e. $\sqrt{25}$
 - f. $(-a)^3$
 - g. $(-b)^2$
- 2. Rewrite the following expressions in terms of powers and roots and simplify:
 - a. $4^{3/2}$
 - b. $27^{2/3}$
 - c. $(x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}$
 - d. $16^{5/4}$
 - e. $(-1)^{2/3}$
- 3. Perform the indicated operations, and write the result in scientific notation:
 - a. $(2 \times 10^3) \cdot (3 \times 10^{-2})$
 - b. $(3 \times 10^4) \cdot (6.02 \times 10^{23})$

Algebraic Expressions

1. Perform the indicated operations and simplify:

a.
$$(a+3)(a+2)$$

b.
$$(2b-2)(b+2)$$

c.
$$(x-3)(4x+2) + (x-4)(x-5)$$

d.
$$2(y-1) + (y+2)(y-3)$$

e.
$$(x-a)(x-b) + (x+a)(x-a)$$

2. Factor the following expressions:

a.
$$x^2 - x - 6$$

b.
$$x^2 + 5x + 4$$

c.
$$9x^2 + 9x - 4$$

d.
$$x^4 - 1$$